

SENATOR R. LEWIS: If requested.

SENATOR MARSH: I understand that not everybody asked for this service. Is that correct? But if he asked for this service he should be willing to pay for it, for what the actual cost is.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: I've never known an operator to ask for it. Perhaps the irrigation company asked for it, maybe the power district asked for it.

SENATOR MARSH: I'm going to send this question over to Senator Warner, please.

PRESIDENT: Mr. Speaker, we have several lights on. We also have an amendment on this bill. Do you want to proceed with it? Yes, we're debating. We've been on it for ten minutes I suppose. There are amendments and lights. Senator Cope, you wish to debate this amendment?

SENATOR COPE: Mr. President, members, I would oppose this amendment. I am one who asked for this service with a new installation this past year. I did it for one reason only--insurance. I trusted the man who installed the pivot. Yet, just to be sure that someone didn't get killed, I asked for it. I think they did a very fine job. They found a few minor details that were wrong. I think it's well, well worth the \$20. That is when you figure traveling time and any salary at all, actually it doesn't cover expenses.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: If we're continuing, Mr. President, I too would oppose the amendment and point out two or three things. It is upon application of the owner. It's not a compulsory inspection. Number two, they do cite a number of examples where they have found defective pivot systems where they were requested to come. Number three, there have been people electrocuted on pivot systems. Number four, currently, I think there were three people who do this statewide. To give you an example, as many of you know, I put in pivot systems last year. I called at the time that they were being installed to have someone come out for my own satisfaction. I didn't want myself, a member of the family, or someone working for me hurt. I was told it would be at least four months before they could get around, they didn't have enough people related to the request. And I said "Well forget it. In four months I'll be done irrigating. I'll either be dead, or it won't make any difference". So we did nothing. I will make another request next year. That was probably a good reason not to change it, Senator Lamb. But a part of this increase in funds--they are going to be able to put some additional people to do these inspections. As far as I'm concerned a \$20 inspection, on a \$30,000 piece of equipment, is nothing. A \$20 investment for an inspection, with the potential danger that you have with pivot systems, is nothing. It ought to be funded at an adequate level. As far as I'm concerned the committee lowering it to \$20 was probably too much of a lowering.

PRESIDENT: I see five seconds. There is a call for the previous question by Senator Savage. Are there five seconds? There are. The question is shall debate now cease. Record your vote. Please vote. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.